

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Chief Product Review Division,
Intelligence Community Staff

FROM : Director, Strategic Warning Staff

SUBJECT: Augmentation

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You have asked for some thoughts on how the staff might be augmented. There are several avenues of approach, none mutually exclusive:

- recall selected people who have previously served in the NIC or SWS and are back with their parent agencies.
- recall as consultants people who have previously served in the NIC or SWS and have retired within recent years.
- assign people to TDY on the staff who have never served on the staff but are quite familiar with its methods of operation.
- assign reserve personnel to the staff from the USIB Agencies who have had active duty in the SWS and performed well. (This could be done by their parent agencies or they might also be recalled to active duty. This latter option could also be used with some retired personnel.)

The problem as you well know is that in time of crisis agencies need all their personnel especially those with experience on the area of concern. Nevertheless I am optimistic that something could be worked out if we were to prepare a list of earmarked people for the SWS in time of crisis and run it by the various agencies for their tentative approval.

I would think that anytime there was an active little "w" war or major crisis on hand, the staff should go to a 24 hour basis and begin some augmentation. One point we must bear in mind is that in addition to analysts we will also need support personnel.

If the above makes any sense I will be glad to draw up a list of selected people.

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